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process. And if you remember, we eliminated that requirement and, instead, imposed a requirement that they file a budget statement prior to the publication of the notice of hearing so that once you saw the notice of hearing you have a place to go to and look and find the detail of the actual proposed budget. But it was that language that was a little bit difficult. Bill Drafters, on the review, said we think we can clarify that a little bit, and here's what we would propose. But it does, in substance, the same thing. The change that is substantive is in We're adding a new category of political subdivisions that can qualify for audit waivers. Audit waivers are a process developed and used within the budget system generally for small political subdivisions, so that they don't have the expense of a full audit by a certified public accountant. These housing agencies, it simply allows the Auditor's Office to develop the waiver process. If they...if the Auditor's Office feels that a full-blown audit is necessary, they won't waive the normal audit requirement. So I...I don't think it will, in any respect, reduce the accountability that we would want to have for that particular type of political subdivision, but does conform with the treatment that we would give other similarly situated political subdivisions. With that, I would ask for your support in adoption of the amendment.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Senator Vrtiska.

SENATOR VRTISKA: (Recorder malfunction)...Speaker, a question for Senator Wickersham.

SPEAKER KRISTENSEN: Senator Wickersham, would you respond?

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: Yes, sir.

SENATOR VRTISKA: Senator Wickersham, what is the usual dollar that's involved in these housing agencies? Are they like...are these fire districts and those that are now allowed exemptions?

SENATOR WICKERSHAM: It will...it will very considerably. Some housing auth...agencies might have a very large budget; some of them have very small budgets. I think the cutoff for audit